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ABSTRACT

The transcript component of the 1987 Recent College Graduates Study (RCGS-1987) is presented. This transcript data file, RECENT.GRADS.TRNSCRPT.A8586, is the second of three data files produced from the RCGS-1987. Although the purpose of the RCGS is to provide data on the educational experiences and post-degree employment 1 year after graduation of people who obtained a bachelor's or master's degree from an American college or university, the transcript file is restricted to bachelor's degree recipients. The file contains 16,977 transcripts from the 1985-86 graduates, representing a 90% response from degree-granting institutions, and an additional 8,742 transcripts from institutions transferring credits. Of the 16,977 graduates, 14,430 have complete transcripts representing their entire postsecondary education. The file is organized in four levels of records (student, institution and transcript, term, and course). A complete description of the transcript data collection process is provided in the tape documentation. This data file allows complete analyses of such items as: (1) courses taken; (2) grade point averages; (3) credit hours; (4) grading systems; (5) calendar systems; and (6) courses organized according to the graduate's major field of study. POPULATION: Degree Granting Institutions; Credit Transferring Institutions. TYPE OF SURVEY: Follow-up Survey; Sample Survey; National Survey. SAMPLE: Bachelor's Degree Recipients (18,825). RESPONDENTS: Degree Granting Institutions (16,977 Transcripts); Credit Transferring Institutions (8,742 Transcripts). RESPONSE RATE: Degree Granting Institutions: (90%). FREQUENCY: Once. YEAR OF EARLIEST DATA: 1987. (SLD)

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